instruct them not to insist on the payment of *taravila* fixed as a condition precedent to issuing the said attested copies when parties make applications therefor for preferring appeals against such decisions?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR: The rules do not insist on the payment of *taravila* as a condition precedent to issuing attested copies of the decisions in *puduval* cases. Tahsildars will be asked to adhere to the rules in granting copies of records and to avoid needless delay in the matter.

Pay of the Registrar, High Court.

243. MR. PAUL V. DANIEL: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(1) the pay and the time-scale sanctioned for the Registrarship of the High Court; and

(2) the pay which the Registrar, High Court, has been receiving from the first of Minam, 1096?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR: (1) The member is referred to page 51 of the latest *Quarterly Civil List*.

(2) The member is referred to page 54 of the same publication.

Temporary Additional Munsiffs' Courts.

244. MR. PAUL V. DANIEL: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(1) the number of Temporary Additional Munsiffs' Courts now working in the State;

(2) the number of cases disposed of by each of these courts during the first six months of the year 1098; and

(3) the number of cases pending disposal in each of these courts.

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR: (1) The member is referred to page 51 of the latest *Quarterly Civil List*.

(2) & (3) A statement * containing the information is appended.

Continuance of Temporary Munsiffs' Courts in 1099.

245. MR. PAUL V. DANIEL: Do the Government think it necessary to continue all the Temporary Additional Munsiffs' Courts during 1099?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR: Government will no doubt be advised in the matter by the High Court at the proper time.

Opening of a road from Ramavarmapuram Palace, Nagercoil.

246. MR. PAUL V. DANIEL: Will the Government be pleased to sanction the opening of a road from the Ramavarmapuram Palace, Nagercoil, to Dharmapuram or Eatamboly beach?

* *Vide* Appendix—page 1039.

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[President.]

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR: The matter will be investigated.

Appointment of a qualified Lady Doctor for the Nagercoil District Hospital.

247. MR. PAUL V. DANIEL: Are the Government aware of the necessity of a qualified lady doctor for the Nagercoil District Hospital and, if so, will the Government be pleased to appoint one at the earliest opportunity?

MR. N. NILAKANDA PILLAI: The answer is in the affirmative. The question of posting a Lady Medical Officer will be considered after the three stipendiary medical students now undergoing training at the Vellore Medical School for Girls return qualified.

Office of the Assistant Commissioner, Devicolam Division.

248. MR. PAUL V. DANIEL: Will the Government be pleased to state whether they find it necessary to retain the office of the Assistant Commissioner and First Class Magistrate, Peermade, even after the recent reconstitution effected in the Devicolam Division?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR: Though Peermade forms part of the Devicolam Division, it is so far away from the head-quarters and the means of communication between it and the head-quarters are so meagre, that it is in the interests of the public that a First Class Magistrate should remain there with the powers of a Division Assistant to attend to the various items of revenue, magisterial and income-tax work of that portion of the Division.

MR. K. P. RAMAN PILLAI: Sir, I submit a point of order. May I know under what provision Mr. Paramesvara Aiyar refuses to supply the information called for by Mr. Hoogewerf in his question * regarding the touring work of certain officers on the ground that it is considered that the amount of time and labour involved is out of all proportion to its utility?

PRESIDENT: I do not think that any point of order is involved in that. That is the opinion of the Government. The Secretaries to Government are answering questions, on behalf of the Government.

*Not included here as the member was absent at question time.

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